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whole matter will be laid before the public with or without the concurrence of our aristocratic dissenters. Anyway a Convention will certainly be held & will receive a large amount of support

I have written the above more for your private information than for publication. You can however make what use you like of it.

Between the present time & the receipt of your reply, I will, if my engagements permit, send you a short sketch of the position & prospects of the movement party which you may use as you think proper. If it is inserted in any publication, I should be glad to see a copy.

Trusting you may be abundantly useful in your endeavours to promote the spread of Divine truth & advance the best interests of your fellow-creatures. I remain

Yours very sincerely

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– the obstructing of the supplies is to be made during the next session of parliament by Mr Sharman Crawford the most honest & consent man in the house of Commons. The plan which he has put forth is judicious & practical & excites a great deal of public attention. Public meetings, of a most enthusiastic character, have been held in Birmingham, Coventry & other places & all the more important boroughs of England & Scotland are preparing to follow their example. In each place memorials are to be got up, signed by electors & non-electors, calling on their members to support the plan in parliament.

The Anti-State-church Convention has come to its crisis. It has been growing rapidly in public estimation & opposition to it is subsiding. A meeting was held a fortnight ago at Leicester, at which steps were taken for convening the same. As yet however its proceedings have not been made public, in consequence of a desire evinced by the most influential London dissenting ministers to take part in the same. The matter will remain in abeyance for another week when the

nothing in a superior style of writing the great facilities I enjoy in connection with the Woncon & the weekly perusal of about 80 papers, there are but few matters of interest that do not come under my notice. would I think, enable me to give a pretty fair summary of the progress of the cause.

I have lately been bringing out the Complete Suffrage Almanac for 1848 & would have sent you a copy, had I not heard that one had already been forwarded to you. It has succeeded well & we are now publishing a second edition. Should you reply to the foregoing, perhaps you will say whether it would be worth while sending the almanac to any of your American publications & give the names of such as would be most likely to notice it.

My brother Edward is quite well & desires his kind regards. The Woncon is also in a flourishing condition & has lately increased a great deal both in influence & circulation. You will perceive from it that a bold experiment —

suffrage, which is now assuming a national importance, is, I should suppose, scarcely known in your country, owing to the manner in which our leading journals suppress all notice of it.

Should there be any American paper with which you are conducted, or which you would consider to be a desirable medium for an occasional letter, I shall be very happy to supply any little information it may be in my power to give, being secured against any expence in the way of postage &c with the understanding also that a copy of the ~~communn~~ paper in which such letter is inserted, be forwarded to me.

I write this simply from a desire to aid in supplying faithful information to the friends of freedom in America, of the progress of those principles in this country to which they are so warmly attached & although I could pretend to

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My dear Sir

Having had the pleasure of seeing you at my brother's house at Stoke Newington last spring, I feel quite at liberty to write you a few lines. My brother is much obliged to you for the very interesting communications you have sent with respect to the state of affairs in America which have, I believe, excited considerable attention. It has suggested itself to my mind that occasional communications from this side of the Atlantic upon the affairs of England might be interesting to the American public — I mean intelligence respecting the movement party in politics & religion — for public events are doubtless known well enough. For example the movement in favour of complete